

Application Serial No. 10/734,219
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Amendments to the Specification:

Replace paragraph **[0010]** of the specification of record with the following replacement paragraph **[0010]** under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.121(b)(1). No new matter has been added.

[0010] In a further embodiment ~~not shown here~~, the light-emitting diode 10 and adapter electronics 11 are integrated to form a single component 100 (shown schematically in Figure 4) whose dimensions correspond mechanically and electrically to a conventional electric light bulb. In this way, in an otoscope of the type shown in Figures 1 and 2, the electric light bulb 4 can be replaced by ~~this~~ integrated component 100. It is then unnecessary to procure a new otoscope according to Figures 3 and 4. The otoscope 1 in Fig. 1 when equipped with ~~the~~ integrated component 100 has the advantage that a light-emitting diode creates much less heat, and the patient is therefore not inconvenienced by heat.